

**PARKS AND RECREATION ADVISORY BOARD**

Minutes of April 11, 2002

Present:            Jeff Stewart, member                      Gary Hauff, member  
                     Kathleen Fejes, member                      John Goetz, member  
                     Orestes Kaltsounis, member                      Doug Bordas, member  
                     Tom Krent, member                      Lucy Lu, member  
                     Jeff Biegler, staff                      Carol K. Anderson, staff

Absent:            Larry Jose, Robert O'Brien

The meeting was called to order by chairman Jeff Stewart at 7:31 p.m.

A motion by Tom Krent, supported by Doug Bordas, that absent members be excused.

AYES: All                      NAYS: None  
MOTION CARRIED

A motion by Kathleen Fejes, supported by Gary Hauff, that the minutes from March 14, 2002 be approved as submitted.

AYES: All                      NAYS: None  
MOTION CARRIED

**NEW BUSINESS**

- A. Sylvan Glen Golf Outings – A request was made to have a golf outing outside the normal time designated for outings. Discussion followed and it was agreed that due to the demand for play the board does not recommend any changes.
- B. Operating Budget – The budget was reviewed and discussed. Discussion included:
  - a. Community Center expenses increased to total Parks and Recreation budget expenses. Other increases include personnel costs.
  - b. The possibility of opening the Aquatic Center to non-residents was discussed. This topic will be revisited in the fall.
  - c. Revenues at the Golf Course could increase with a driving range but would require taking out the lake.

A motion by Tom Krent, supported by Kathleen Fejes, that the Parks and Recreation budget, as submitted to the Finance Director, be approved.

AYES: All                      NAYS: None  
MOTION CARRIED

**OLD BUSINESS**

- A. Community Center – The new Community Center opened March 25. The pool is scheduled to open April 29. Approximately 2500 Community Center passes have been sold. Adjustments are still being made by the contractor.

## **Member Comments**

Jeff Stewart attended “Youth Dialog Day II” and mentioned that the teens had misconceptions regarding the Community Center and were interested in other style venues to hang out with their friends. He was especially concerned that no adults could speak at the time to correct the inaccuracies.

Mr. Stewart has received complaints regarding the indoor pool at the Community Center and the hours it will be open. In the near future, a survey will be mailed to all passholders. Adjustments will be made to the schedule each season.

## **Staff Reports**

Directors Report – The City Attorney was directed by City Council to research whether we can limit special use of parks by non-residents. This topic will be revisited after City Council receives the additional information.

Presently, the tree ordinance is being revised. It is anticipated that it will be presented at our next meeting for review.

Parks Report – The Nature Center is almost complete. The neighbor to the north of the Nature Center has some concerns regarding parking. We are working to resolve these concerns.

Park Shelter Reservation Day was April 8<sup>th</sup> this year. The Community Center opened at 6 a.m. and the patrons were given a number in the order they arrive. We began processing around 7:45 a.m.

Irrigation installation is complete at Raintree and Boulton Lacrosse fields. The restrooms are now open in all the parks.

A new entrance sign was purchased for Sylvan Glen. A small fishing dock and an asphalt sidewalk to the lake are planned to increase use of the park.

May 3<sup>rd</sup> is Arbor Day at Firefighters Park. Kites and seedlings will be given away to participants.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:34 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

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Mary Peltier